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~~41.~~ A composition according to claim ²~~40~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is (6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~42.~~ A composition according to claim ²~~40~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5-methyl-(6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~43.~~ A composition according to claim ²~~40~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5-formyl-(6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~44.~~ A composition according to claim ²~~40~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 10-formyl-(6R)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~45.~~ A composition according to claim ²~~40~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5,10-methylene-(6R)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~46.~~ A composition according to claim ²~~40~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5,10-methenyl-(6R)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~47.~~ A composition according to claim ²~~40~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5-formimino-(6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~48.~~ A composition according to claim 1, wherein said nutritional substance is an essential nutrient preparation.

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~~49.~~ A composition according to claim ¹⁰~~48~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is (6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~50.~~ A composition according to claim ¹⁰~~48~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5-methyl-(6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~51.~~ A composition according to claim ¹⁰~~48~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5-formyl-(6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~52.~~ A composition according to claim ¹⁰~~48~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 10-formyl-(6R)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~53.~~ A composition according to claim ¹⁰~~48~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5,10-methylene-(6R)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~54.~~ A composition according to claim ¹⁰~~48~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5,10-methenyl-(6R)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

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~~55.~~ A composition according to claim ¹⁰~~48~~, wherein said natural isomer of reduced folate is 5-formimino-(6S)-tetrahydrofolic acid or a polyglutamyl derivative thereof.

REMARKS

Claim 1 is pending in the subject application, and this claim has been allowed. Hereinabove, applicants have